







Humboldt Arizona

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Dear Friend and Neighbor

I got a letter from Marcus Sears last night - and he said you wanted to know how things are here & what the chances are for work.

I have only been here since last Wednesday and have not had time to find out very much as regards work for the future, but made some inquiries today and from what I was told am of the opinion there will be quite a lot of Carpenter work. I understand the Company is going to build about six new houses but did not learn the size and some private parties have about the same number to build beside a garage.

This is quite a nice little burg & has a voting population of about 275. The pay for Carpenters at present is \$1.25 for 8 hours board is \$1.00 per day and first class room \$2.00 per week and you can work Sunday same as Monday giving you \$6.75 per week less 90c for board & room \$2.75. I tried to get on the Carpenter shift myself.

CM

but they were full handed so I took a job on  
what they call the Bull gang & intend staying  
there until the 20<sup>th</sup> which is payday  
They pay twice a month 5<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>  
If you decide to come try and get here not-  
later than the 20<sup>th</sup> so there will very likely be some  
quitting I do not know for sure what the fare  
is but think about 5<sup>00</sup> anyhow you can  
easily find that out from the Santa Fe agent.  
you will get off at Ash Fork for Prescott & from  
there to Humboldt you will have to lay overnight  
at Prescott & get the 8 am for Humboldt You can  
get a room just opposite Depot. A fellow by the  
name of Belmore keeps it & also restaurant  
it is not a very pretentious looking place but  
I stayed 3 nights there and was very nicely  
treated. If your Engine in Automobile is in  
good shape would say for you to make  
the trip by Auto. There is a couple of boys  
here from Los & they made the trip by Auto  
a 1913 Ford but if your engine is not in  
first class condition would leave it at





If you decide to come, I have some  
things would like to have you bring if possible  
In fact I would like to get my trunk  
but you would have your tool box and  
there would likely be too much excess  
baggage, but I have ~~an~~ an overcoat & a  
duck coat would like to get. I told Marcus  
to send them by parcel post but if you can  
bring them for me it would be better still  
and in case you can bring trunk I am  
going to send you key and have Marcus  
get a box of caps that I had for blasting  
granite at Cirra Madre when I was on  
the street. They are highly explosive & might  
accidentally explode in handling the trunk  
He can give them to Bill Bush or bury them  
just as he likes and in case you can  
bring trunk, I have 2 quilts on bed  
& two pillows & felt hat hanging on wall  
would like to have if they will pack or  
kind regards to all & let me hear from you  
Sincerely Yours S.C.B.

